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PUBLIC 7 **An Act to Repeal the Mandate to Perambulate the Municipal Boundary Lines when there is No Boundary Dispute** **LD 66**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HEIDRICH BENNETT R	OTP	

Public Law 2003, chapter 7 repeals the requirement that boundary lines between municipalities be perambulated once every 5 years. It requires a municipality to perambulate the municipal boundaries only if there is a dispute concerning the municipal boundary line. Perambulation is not necessary to resolve the dispute if the boundary lines are well marked and a survey of the boundaries is recorded in the registry of deeds.

PUBLIC 8 **An Act To Eliminate the Restriction on Municipal Investment of Trust Funds** **LD 278**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCLAUGHLIN STANLEY	OTP	

Public Law 2003, chapter 8 allows a municipality that holds funds of a nonprofit trust to invest more than 5% of the assets of that trust in a single mutual fund.

PUBLIC 37 **An Act To Make Transportation More Affordable for Low-income Families** **LD 465**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCGLOCKLIN	OTP-AM	H-22

Public Law 2003, chapter 37 allows nonprofit organizations that contract with the Department of Human Services to help make transportation available to low-income families who need transportation for work, education or training to participate in the private purchase of state surplus passenger vehicles or light trucks. The purpose of this law is to help participating nonprofits make vehicles more affordable for families.

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PUBLIC 43 An Act To Reapportion the County Commissioner Districts

LD 1557

Sponsor(s)
DUNLAP

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

Public Law 2003, chapter 43 repeals the current statutory county commissioner districts and enacts the districts for the county commissioners as described in the unanimous report submitted by the apportionment commission to the Clerk of the House.

PUBLIC 44 An Act To Reapportion the House Legislative Districts

LD 1555

Sponsor(s)
DUNLAP

Committee Report

Amendments Adopted

Public Law 2003, chapter 44 repeals the current statutory Maine House of Representatives districts and enacts the districts for the Maine House of Representatives as described in the unanimous report submitted by the apportionment commission to the Clerk of the House.

PUBLIC 55 An Act To Amend the Laws Governing Registers of Deeds

LD 984

Sponsor(s)
YOUNGBLOOD

Committee Report
OTP

Amendments Adopted

Public Law 2003, chapter 55 sets uniform standards for registers of deeds with regard to the documents submitted to registries for recording. Specifically, it:

1. Changes the requirement that public records can only be kept on paper;
2. Allows registries to make computer notes to the index when necessary;
3. Ensures that computer image copies have the same legal effect as paper copies;
4. Allows registries to charge \$2.00 to create an additional page to provide room for including recording information;
5. Expands language that requires recording only on linen cloth to include digital imaging;
6. Increases the fee for each name indexed after the fourth from 25 cents to \$1, which is more in-line with the costs of indexing; and
7. Allows registers to charge an \$8 fee to compensate them for the time required when marginal notations are required in multiple records.

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PUBLIC 62 EMERGENCY

An Act to Rename the Town of Westport BY REQUEST

LD 37

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
HALL GROSE	OTP-AM	S-18

Public Law 2003, chapter 62 authorizes the Town of Westport to change its name to "Town of Westport Island." A referendum to change the name was scheduled to be held on March 29, 2003 for approval by the residents of Westport.

Public Law 2003, chapter 62 was enacted as an emergency measure effective March 24, 2003.

PUBLIC 75

An Act Concerning the Status of the Maine County Commissioners' Association and the Maine Sheriffs' Association as County Advisory Organizations

LD 631

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCLAUGHLIN PENDLETON	OTP-AM	H-95

Public Law 2003, chapter 75 allows counties to expend funds in order to obtain the services of the Maine County Commissioners' Association and the Maine Sheriffs' Association as nonprofit advisory organizations and designates these associations as instrumentalities of their member counties. Upon dissolution, the assets of these organizations, as well as the Maine Municipal Association and the Maine School Management Association, would be delivered to the Treasurer of State to be held in custody for the counties of the State. This is the same recognition that Maine law gives the Maine Municipal Association and the Maine School Management Association in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, sections 5722 and 5724.

PUBLIC 79

An Act To Allow Free Clinics To Purchase Medications and Supplies through State Contracts

LD 46

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER BRYANT	OTP-AM	H-73

Public Law 2003, chapter 79 expands the state's cooperative purchasing program to include nonprofit free health clinics that provide free primary or preventative services for the purpose of allowing these clinics to purchase medications and supplies through the Bureau of General Services.

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PUBLIC 82 An Act To Clarify the Laws Regarding Reports to the State Auditor

LD 333

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DOUGLASS FINCH	OTP-AM	S-26

Public Law 2003, chapter 82 requires any bureau or division head of a public entity to report improper or illegal transactions to the state auditor. This reporting requirement already exists for department and agency heads.

PUBLIC 83 An Act To Improve State Accounting Procedures EMERGENCY

LD 606

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DOUGLASS FISCHER	OTP-AM MAJ ONTP MIN	S-27

Public Law 2003, chapter 83 requires the Commissioner of Department of Administrative and Financial Services and the State Controller to develop a financial management and accounting practices manual for state agencies, develop and implement a training program for state agencies on uniform financial management and accounting practices and report to the state and local government committee by January 1, 2004 on the progress of these initiatives.

Public Law 2003, chapter 83 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 25, 2003.

PUBLIC 86 An Act To Increase Civil Process Fees

LD 399

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
SAVAGE	OTP-AM	S-17

Public Law 2003, chapter 86 authorizes the county commissioners of each county to increase the fee collected for service of civil processes, disclosure subpoenas, complaints for divorce, attachments of personal property, writs of replevin, tax summonses and warrants, sales or use tax warrants, income tax warrants and search for persons to serve from \$1 to \$5, except that the fee paid by any state agency or department may only be increased by \$1.

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PUBLIC 105 **An Act To Clarify the Duties Relating to County Taxes and Remove
Obsolete References to the Secretary of State** **LD 1443**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> MCLAUGHLIN		<u>Committee Report</u> OTP		<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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Public Law 2003, chapter 105 removes obsolete references to filing county budget estimates with the Secretary of State on forms provided by the Secretary of State. County budget estimates, which fall within the scope of the State Auditor's responsibilities, must be sent to the State Auditor.

PUBLIC 174 **An Act To Clarify the Administration of State-municipal Revenue
Sharing** **LD 1448**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> PINEAU		<u>Committee Report</u> OTP-AM		<u>Amendments Adopted</u> H-205
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Public Law 2003, chapter 174 clarifies that the postage, state cost allocation program and programming costs of state-municipal revenue sharing may be paid by the Local Government Fund.

PUBLIC 176 **An Act To Relocate the Prohibition of Use of State Government
Computer Systems for Political Purposes to the Election Laws** **LD 1466**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> MCLAUGHLIN		<u>Committee Report</u> OTP		<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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Public Law 2003, chapter 176 changes the statutory location of the prohibition on use of state government computer systems for political purposes from the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, chapter 163, which involves the Office of the Chief Information Officer within the Department of Administrative and Financial Services, to Title 21-A, which involves election law.

PUBLIC 177 **An Act To Amend the Civil Service Law with Respect to Classified
Employees Who Accept Appointment to the Unclassified Service** **LD 1468**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> MCLAUGHLIN		<u>Committee Report</u> OTP		<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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Public Law 2003, chapter 177 permits a classified state employee who leaves the classified service to serve in an appointive position to retain promotion, transfer and demotion rights in the civil service for the duration of that employee's appointment in the unclassified service. It does not have an impact on unclassified employees who were appointed from outside of State Government. In addition, it provides greater incentives for classified

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state employees to serve in long-term appointments to the unclassified service. This law has no effect on the 12-month restoration right provided to a classified employee in the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 5, section 931, subsection 2, paragraph C.

PUBLIC 178 **An Act To Update the Requirements of Counties' and** **LD 1431**
Municipalities' Audit Reports

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCLAUGHLIN	OTP-AM	H-211

Public Law 2003, chapter 178 replaces outdated language regarding the contents and requirements of county and municipal audit reports with more current, flexible language that allows for possible future changes in audit reporting requirements.

PUBLIC 179 **An Act To Encourage Economic Development in Piscataquis** **LD 1357**
EMERGENCY **County**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DAVIS P ANNIS	OTP-AM	S-59

Public Law 2003, chapter 179 authorizes the county commissioners of Piscataquis County to raise, appropriate, borrow and spend money for the purposes of economic development in Piscataquis County.

Public Law 2003, chapter 179 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 6, 2003.

PUBLIC 207 **An Act To Permit Electronic Notification of Rulemaking for** **LD 1528**
EMERGENCY **Interested Parties**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCLAUGHLIN ROTUNDO	OTP	

Public Law 2003, chapter 207 permits required notice to be given to recipients via electronic mail, provided that those recipients have agreed in advance that such a manner of notice is acceptable. It also permits copies of proposed rules to be distributed in the same manner by agencies. As a result, agencies are provided with another medium by which to distribute rule-making information that also conserves paper resources. Prior to passage of this law, the written notice required in the agency rule-making process was required to be made by delivery or mail to statutorily specified recipients.

Public Law 2003, chapter 207 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 16, 2003.

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PUBLIC 228 **An Act To Establish the Lincoln and Sagadahoc Multicounty Jail**
EMERGENCY **Authority**

LD 1199

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MAYO	OTP-AM	S-103
WATSON		

Public Law 2003, chapter 228 establishes the Lincoln and Sagadahoc Multicounty Jail Authority.

Public Law 2003, chapter 228 was enacted as an emergency measure effective May 21, 2003.

PUBLIC 230 **An Act To Ensure Communication about Public Complaints against**
 State Employees

LD 1047

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER	OTP-AM	H-279

Public Law 2003, chapter 230 requires each state agency to establish a policy to ensure that complaints by the public against state employees are addressed by that agency. It prohibits the release of confidential information that may not otherwise be released to the public.

PUBLIC 234 **An Act To Clarify the Division of the Positions of Town Assessor**
 and Selectman

LD 1226

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCKEE	OTP-AM	H-280
BRYANT		

Public Law 2003, chapter 234 clarifies that a person who serves as both a selectman and a tax assessor may resign the position of assessor without resigning the office of selectman. It also clarifies that if a member of the State Legislature resigns the position of assessor, that person may continue to serve in the State Legislature. It further clarifies that a person currently serving in the Legislature or other office deemed to be incompatible with the office of assessor who is later elected as a selectman and assessor has the opportunity to resign the office of assessor prior to performing duties as assessor without being considered to have vacated the legislative office or other incompatible office due to the incompatibility of the offices.

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PUBLIC 238 An Act To Promote and Protect Private Enterprise

LD 1285

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MITCHELL TARDY	OTP-AM	S-100

Public Law 2003, chapter 238 requires that, before a state agency may provide goods or services to the public, it must comply with certain provisions of law including the review and approval by the Advisory Committee on Fair Competition with Private Enterprise of providing these goods or services. The restriction on sales by a state agency does not apply if the sale of the goods or services is specifically authorized by law. It also permits state agencies to sell goods or services immediately in the case of an emergency. This provision in law only applies when a state agency sells new or additional goods or services as of January 15, 2004.

PUBLIC 241 An Act To Amend the County Contingent Fund

LD 416

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCLAUGHLIN	OTP-AM MAJ ONTP MIN	H-237

Public Law 2003, chapter 241 changes the cap on the contingent fund from \$50,000 to the greater of 1.5% of the annual county budget or \$100,000. It retains the exception to this cap for Sagadahoc County, which remains 4% of the annual budget.

**PUBLIC 289 An Act To Codify the House Legislative Districts As Apportioned
by Public Law 2003, chapter 44**

LD 1610

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>

Public Law 2003, chapter 289 carries out the intent of Public Law 2003, chapter 44, which provides for the apportionment of the legislative districts for the Maine House of Representatives. It establishes the legislative districts based upon reference to United States Census civil divisions designations.

**PUBLIC 291 An Act To Codify the County Commissioner Districts as
Apportioned by Public Law 2003, Chapter 43**

LD 1609

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>

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Public Law 2003, chapter 291 carries out the legislative intent of Public Law 2003, chapter 43 by specifying, per United States Census designations, those areas that are located in each county commissioner district as reapportioned by the apportionment commission and submitted to the Clerk of the House April 3, 2003.

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**PUBLIC 294 An Act To Clarify the Laws Pertaining to the Surcharge for
Records Preservation for the Registry of Deeds**

LD 325

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
YOUNGBLOOD MCLAUGHLIN	OTP-AM	S-115

Public Law 2003, chapter 294 clarifies that the types of restoration used for the preservation of documents and paid for by a special nonlapsing account includes preservation by creation of a digital image stored on magnetic or optical media. It repeals the sunset clause for the records preservation surcharge and requires the register of deeds of each county to report annually to the joint standing committee having jurisdiction over state and local government matters on the amount of surcharge funds raised and expended and the use of those funds.

PUBLIC 297 An Act To Provide Requirements for Towns To Deorganize

LD 1290

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
KNEELAND	OTP-AM	S-121

Public Law 2003, chapter 297 clarifies that all debt incurred by a municipality prior to deorganization is the responsibility of the residents of the community and not the entire population of the unorganized territory. It directs the deorganizing community to conduct a fiscal impact analysis. It also authorizes the county commissioners in the county where the municipality considering deorganization is located to hold an advisory referendum on the deorganization. Finally, it requires a municipality that has rejected the deorganization to wait 3 years before reinitiating the process.

**PUBLIC 316 An Act To Implement the Recommendations of the State House and
Capitol Park Commission Regarding a Living Memorial in Capitol
Park**

LD 484

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP-AM	H-308

Public Law 2003, chapter 316 is submitted by the State House and Capitol Commission as a result of its study pursuant to Resolve 2001, chapter 110. It adds to the duties of the commission the responsibility, subject to available funding, of providing for the development and maintenance of a living memorial garden in Capitol Park. The commission may use public and private funds for that purpose.

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PUBLIC 332 An Act Concerning Municipal Firearms Discharge Ordinances

LD 1063

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DUNLAP	OTP-AM MAJ	H-321
BRYANT	ONTP MIN	

Public Law 2003, chapter 332 requires a municipality to consult with the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife during the process of consideration of the adoption or amendment of a firearm discharge ordinance. It also requires that the area in which the discharge of firearms is prohibited must be described in the ordinance using clearly defined physical boundaries as points of reference.

PUBLIC 406 An Act To Clarify the InforME Public Information Access Act

LD 1561

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
DAGGETT	OTP-AM	S-172

Public Law 2003, chapter 406 clarifies various definitions to accurately represent the electronic services provided by InforME and the services available to those who pay the subscriber fee. It also clarifies the manner in which funds are collected and distributed by InforME to data custodians or agencies. In addition, InforME must follow certain requirements regarding the depositing of state funds as established by the Treasurer of State.

PUBLIC 450 An Act To Authorize the Department of Audit To Perform Other Audits and Reviews

LD 1429

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCLAUGHLIN	OTP-AM	H-369 S-246 ROTUNDO

Public Law 2003, chapter 450:

1. Eliminates outdated language referring to county estimates;
2. Changes the duties of the Department of Audit by requiring the department to conduct reviews of state programs or other research;
3. Clarifies that the State Auditor does not perform accounting functions for the State and the type of improper accounting actions that must be reported to the Governor and Legislature by the State Auditor. This section is scheduled to be repealed on January 30, 2006;
4. Requires the State Auditor to report any significant discrepancy found in the financial records of a state department or agency, within 60 days of the finding, to the joint standing committee of the Legislature that

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has jurisdiction over that department or agency and the joint standing committees of the Legislature having jurisdiction over appropriations and financial affairs and state and local government matters; and

5. Requires the State Auditor to meet annually with various joint standing committees of the Legislature for the purpose of presenting certain findings and recommendations included in the most recently completed annual state audit. The State Auditor is required to schedule the meetings by September 15th of each year.

PUBLIC 463 An Act to Amend Certain Provisions of the Program Evaluation and Government Accountability Laws

LD 51

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
TRAHAN HALL	OTP-AM	H-361

Public Law 2003, chapter 463 changes the annual reporting date of the Office of Program Evaluation and Government Accountability to ensure that the Legislature has adequate time during a regular session to review the contents of the report. It requires all financial audits and post-audits to be performed by the Department of Audit. If the department is unable to conduct the audit within the time frame established by the joint legislative committee established to oversee program evaluation and government accountability matters, a qualified auditor must perform the financial audit or post-audit. It also requires the committee to develop a mission statement by January 1, 2005.

PUBLIC 501 An Act To Encourage Responsible Employment Practices

LD 1206

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
COLWELL EDMONDS	OTP-AM MAJ ONTP MIN	H-353

Public Law 2003, chapter 501 requires the State Purchasing Agent to adopt rules to establish a fair basis for bid price comparison among businesses that provide health and retirement benefits and those that do not provide these benefits. The applicability of the rules is limited to personal services. It also requires that, before a state agency or department may contract personal services out to a private contractor, it must establish an equivalent basis for cost comparison for businesses that do not provide health insurance or retirement benefits. Personal services contracting is not permitted unless a private contractor provides the best value.

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P & S 3 An Act to Authorize the Town of Medway to Sell Certain Land LD 139

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
STANLEY DUPREY G	OTP	

Private and Special Law 2003, chapter 3 allows the Town of Medway to sell certain land. It also establishes a sunset date for this section of January 1, 2013.

P & S 4 An Act To Amend the Charter of the Eastport Port Authority LD 86

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GOODWIN	OTP	

Private and Special Law 2003, chapter 4 further defines the residency requirement for the Eastport Port Authority board as being that established by state statute for legal voting at an election and certified by the registrar of voters. It also maintains the intent of the original charter requiring staggered terms.

P & S 5 An Act To Revise the Boundary between the Town of Harrison and LD 793
EMERGENCY the Town of Bridgton

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BENNETT R SYKES	OTP-AM	S-16

Private and Special Law 2003, chapter 5 reestablishes the boundary line between the Town of Bridgton and the Town of Harrison along Long Lake.

Private and Special Law 2003, chapter 5 was enacted as an emergency measure effective April 17, 2003.

P & S 32 An Act To Authorize the Deorganization of the Town of Centerville LD 1624

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
BUNKER SHOREY		H-540 BRANNIGAN

Private and Special Law 2003, chapter 32 authorizes the deorganization of the Town of Centerville if, in accordance with the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 30-A, section 7207, a majority of the voters in the town

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approve the deorganization procedure developed in accordance with Title 30-A, section 7205 and if the deorganization is approved by the voters of the town at the next statewide election to be held in November.

RESOLVE 6 **Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 130:** **LD 19**
EMERGENCY **Implementation of the State Purchasing Code of Conduct for**
 Suppliers of Apparel, Footwear and Textiles, a Major Substantive
 Rule of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
	OTP-AM MAJ	H-50
	OTP-AM MIN	

Resolve 2003, chapter 6 provides for legislative review of portions of Chapter 130: Implementation of State Purchasing Code of Conduct for Suppliers of Apparel, Footwear and Textiles, a major substantive rule of the Department of Administrative and Financial Services. The joint standing committee on state and local government authorized the rule with one amendment. The amendment requires the rules to be amended to include a sentence at the end of the bidding procedures section indicating that the names and addresses of suppliers at point of assembly may be kept confidential and not open for public inspection if the State Purchasing Agent determines the bidder has a program of monitoring that certifies its suppliers comply with the state purchasing code of conduct.

Resolve 2003, chapter 6 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective April 25, 2003.

RESOLVE 16 **Resolve, Authorizing the Commissioner of Administrative and** **LD 1076**
 Financial Services To Convey Land to Baron and Janet Wormser

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
COWGER	OTP-AM	H-204

Resolve 2003, chapter 16 authorizes the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to sell the State's interest in a parcel of land located in Hallowell to Baron C. Wormser and Janet G. Wormser. It also requires the Wormsers to pay for the appraisal on the parcel of land proposed for sale by the State to the Wormsers.

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RESOLVE 31 Resolve, Authorizing the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services To Release the State's Interests in an Easement Benefiting the Maine Criminal Justice Academy in Vassalboro

LD 1377

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> MCLAUGHLIN ROTUNDO	<u>Committee Report</u> OTP-AM	<u>Amendments Adopted</u> H-252
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Resolve 2003, chapter 31 authorizes the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to release an abandoned well and water line easement that formerly served the former Oak Grove School, currently owned by the State and occupied by the Maine Criminal Justice Academy. It requires the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to conduct at the State's expense an appraisal of the Realewood Estates North subdivision with the easement and without the easement on the property. It also requires the commissioner to determine, based on the value of the property without the easement, the terms under which the State may release the easement.

RESOLVE 32 Resolve, Authorizing the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services To Enter into a Boundary Line Agreement between the State of Maine Parking Garage at the Corner of Sewall and Capitol Streets and the Parcel East of the Garage Bounded by Chamberlain Street

LD 1445

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> MCLAUGHLIN	<u>Committee Report</u> OTP	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
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Resolve 2003, chapter 32 authorizes the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to resolve an uncertain boundary line between the State's parking garage and the adjacent property at 77 Capitol Street and to receive a right of first refusal to purchase the property.

RESOLVE 49 Resolve, Directing the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation To Conduct a Sunrise Review for the Regulation of Spoken Language Interpreters

LD 909

<u>Sponsor(s)</u> EDMONDS LAVERRIERE-BOUCHER	<u>Committee Report</u> OTP-AM	<u>Amendments Adopted</u> S-119
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Resolve 2003, chapter 49 requires the Department of Professional and Financial Regulation to conduct a sunrise review in the form of an independent assessment for the regulation of spoken language interpreters. It also requires the department to report its findings to the Joint Standing Committee on Business, Research and Economic Development by January 15, 2004.

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RESOLVE 51 **Resolve, Authorizing the Transfer of Land from the State to Maine School Administrative District No. 16** **LD 1550**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
COWGER	OTP-AM	H-388
TREAT		

Resolve 2003, chapter 51 authorizes the transfer of state-owned property, commonly known as "community gardens," located on Winthrop Street in Hallowell, to Maine School Administrative District No. 16. It requires that if the State transfers the property known as the "community gardens" located in Hallowell to Maine School Administrative District No. 16, it must sell or lease that property at fair market value. The State is permitted to transfer all or part of that property to School Administrative District No. 16. It also authorizes the State to enter into a 3-year option agreement with the board of directors of Maine School Administrative District No. 16 to sell or lease that property.

RESOLVE 53 **Resolve, Authorizing the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services To Increase the Ground Lease Term at the Long Creek Youth Development Center from 50 to 90 Years** **LD 1412**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCLAUGHLIN	OTP-AM MAJ	H-387
BROMLEY	ONTP MIN	

Resolve 2003, chapter 53 extends the ground lease term from 50 to 90 years for property leased by the State at the Long Creek Youth Development Center in the City of South Portland. It requires the lessee of the leased property at the Long Creek Youth Development Center to take responsibility for the administration building. The lessee must make every effort to redevelop the administration building. If redevelopment is not viable, the building must be demolished at the lessee's expense. The decision to redevelop or demolish the administration building must be made within 7 years after signing the lease.

RESOLVE 59 **Resolve, Conveying The State's Interest in a Parcel of Property Located in Orrington** **LD 1541**

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
ROSEN	OTP-AM	H-431

Resolve 2003, chapter 59 authorizes the conveyance of certain property on the Johnson Mill Road in Orrington by the Director of the Bureau of Parks and Lands within the Department of Conservation to Mrs. Lillian King.

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RESOLVE 77 **Resolve, to Extend the Reporting Deadline of the Commission to**
EMERGENCY **Recognize Veterans of World War II and the Korean War in the**
 State House Hall of Flags

LD 40

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
GAGNON	OTP-AM	S-266 GAGNON
CLARK		S-4

Resolve 2003, chapter 77 extends the due date of the final report of the commission to recognize veterans of World War II and the Korean War in the State House Hall of Flags to November 1, 2003. It also increases from 4 to 8 the number of meetings the commission may hold. It is the Legislature's intent that the costs of this study be funded through the Legislature's study budget.

Resolve 2003, chapter 77 was finally passed as an emergency measure effective June 17, 2003.

RESOLVE 90 **Resolve, Authorizing the Commissioner of Administrative and**
Financial Services To Sell Up to 15 Acres of Land and Other
Interests of the State at the Long Creek Youth Development
Center, in South Portland

LD 1512

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCLAUGHLIN	OTP-AM MAJ	H-370
BROMLEY	ONTP MIN	

Resolve 2003, chapter 90 authorizes the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to sell up to 15 acres of unimproved land at the Long Creek Youth Development Center in South Portland for affordable or workforce housing.

RESOLVE 91 **Resolve, Amending the Commissioner of Administrative and**
Financial Services' Authorization To Convey a Portion of the
Kennebec Arsenal in Augusta Pursuant to Resolve 1999, Chapter
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LD 1464

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCLAUGHLIN	OTP-AM MAJ	H-502
	ONTP MIN	S-300 CATHCART

Resolve 2003, chapter 91 authorizes the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to convey approximately 30 acres of the Kennebec Arsenal property.

State and Local Government

**RESOLVE 92 Resolve, Authorizing the Commissioner of Administrative and
Financial Services To Sell or Lease the Interests of the State in
Certain Real Estate Located in Hallowell and To Enter into Lease-
purchase Agreements for School Bus Acquisition**

LD 1465

<u>Sponsor(s)</u>	<u>Committee Report</u>	<u>Amendments Adopted</u>
MCLAUGHLIN	OTP-AM MAJ	H-224
TREAT	ONTP MIN	S-311 CATHCART

Resolve 2003, chapter 92 authorizes the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services to sell or lease the State's interests in certain property located in Hallowell. It also authorizes the Commissioner of Administrative and Financial Services, on behalf of the Department of Education, to enter into lease-purchase contracts or other financing arrangements in fiscal years 2003-04 and 2004-05 for acquisition of school buses. Financing may not exceed 7 years in duration and \$2,500,000 in principal costs. Interest rates may not exceed 6%.